

#### REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted supplementary to the previous Amendment to make correction in Claims 11, 37 and 40. It was intended to define in these claims that "said safety element extends at least from said first end of said elastic element to said second end of said elastic element which is located opposite to said first end of said elastic element."

The claims have been corrected correspondingly.

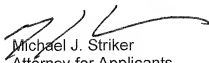
It is believed that the present invention clearly and patentably distinguishes from the prior art for the reasons which were presented in the Amendment of July 21, 2009.

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application is most respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawings be further amended or corrected in formal respects in order to place this case in condition for final allowance, then it is respectfully requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment, and the case be passed to issue. Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be

helpful in advancing this case to allowance, he is invited to telephone the undersigned (at 631-549-4700).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael J. Striker", written over the printed name.

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